THE COCHIN CO-COPERATIVE LAND MORTGAGE BANK REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Cochin Co-operative Land Mortgage Bank Regulation, XXV of 1111, it is hereby enacted as follows :—

Title and preamble were put and carried.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—I beg to move that the Bill be taken up and finally passed tomorrow.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—I second it.

Motion was put and carried.

The Cochin Co-operative Societies Bill.

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Registrar of Co-operative Societies).*—Sir, I beg to move that the Cochin Co-operative Societies Bill as amended by the Select Committee* be taken up for consideration. I need not submit, as I have already said, that this bill had been for a long time before this Council and the public and that everybody interested in it is more or less familiar with all its provisions. Even the Select Committee after a thorough consideration could not make any material alterations whatsoever. In fact what we have done is to copy the Madras Act with minor changes to suit our local conditions. The important changes relating to the Act are those with regard to the amalgamation and bifurcation of societies, the power of the Registrar to execute decrees and to order conditional attachment of properties and a freedom to societies to change their liability and one or two other minor things. I think these salutory changes will bring much benefit to the societies and the movement will certainly improve in its tone, morale and working. I do not think that this occasion demands any detailed examination of those provisions one by one by me at this stage. I therefore request the House to take up the Bill for consideration.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—I second it.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Urakam).*—Sir, I had sent one or two amendments. I do not find them in the agenda. I pray

* Vide Appendix.

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